

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
TRANSMITTING DATA IN A PUBLIC NETWORK

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and apparatus are described for transmitting data in a network between first and second single-line digital subscriber line (SDSL) modems using a standard high data rate digital subscriber line (HDSL) frame format. The frame format includes at least one field in each data payload block, e.g., the F/Z bit field, for implementing a feature relating to one of the T1 and E1 transmission protocols. According to the invention, the at least one field is employed for transmission of selected payload data.

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